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BRITNEY PUTS HER KINKY SEX VID ON WEB

DAILY STAR
EXCLUSIVE

ANGRY Britney Spears is
to put her kinky sex tape
on the internet herself –
to stop greedy Kevin
Federline cashing in on it.

The X-rated video of
their 45-minute honey-
moon session could have
earned husband Kevin up
to £120million.

But Brit is set to leak it
herself to make sure he
doesn't get a penny.

And she's even taken
advice from queen of
the naughty net
videos Paris Hilton.

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FOR
DETAILS

PC PLODSKI

Cop bosses to try immigrant Poles on beat

POLICE chiefs are set to recruit Poles as officers – despite a risk they might be criminals.

The immigrants could soon be patrolling our streets because of the soaring number of arrivals from the EU state.

The Police Federation is backing the move, despite Scottish forces shelving similar plans last month as they could not be sure if they were hiring crooks.

EU vetting procedure red tape prevented the lack of any cross-border criminal record checks.

But now the North Wales force is trying to kick-start a similar move which could spread across Britain. Deputy Chief Constable Clive Wolstenholme said: "We are looking at a number of measures to improve our service to all sections of the community.

Skills

"The Polish community in particular is growing rapidly in this area. The appointment of Polish officers is only one of a number of suggestions under consideration."

Police Federation Deputy Secretary, Jeff Birch, said: "If there are suitable candidates in the Polish community it seems sensible to take advantage of those talents.

"If they show through the recruitment process they have the right skills,

■ by PAUL MALLEY

we would be only too happy to have them."

But the move has been blasted by campaign group MigrationWatch UK.

Sir Andrew Green said: "These plans are a further indication of the strain being placed on public services by mass immigration."

According to the pressure group, 40% of East European immigrants go to London and the rest spread out across the rest of the UK.

■ About 800 new immigration officers are to be recruited to crack down on illegals, Home Secretary John Reid says.

Four hundred plus of these will be police officers redirected from forces.

A Home Office spokeswoman said: "We don't want this to have an impact on police frontline work."

Huge fines for employers who use illegal immigrants will be introduced next year instead of 2008, the spokeswoman added.

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ADAMS THREATS

SECURITY around the holiday home of Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams is being reviewed after he received death threats.

It is believed he may be targeted by angry IRA members against any moves to support policing as part of a power-sharing deal for Northern Ireland.

Adams has a holiday home in Co Donegal.

A Sinn Fein spokesman added: "The security threats remain very real."



LOTTO DAILY PLAY MONDAY NOVEMBER 20

1 9 11 12 17 22 27
No ticket matched all 7 balls for the £30,000 prize

SATURDAY LOTTO NOVEMBER 18

1 19 20 32 42 46 49
No ticket won the £5.6m jackpot

Dream Number: 2-7-5-3-0-8-4. No £500,000 winners
T'Ball 5, 12, 14, 15, 28 (T' 14). Three £250k 'Ball winners

WEDNESDAY LOTTO NOVEMBER 15

2 3 17 22 40 42 12
One ticket scooped the £2.5m jackpot

Dream Number: 7-1-8-5-9-0. No £500,000 winner.
T'Ball 5, 8, 26, 27, 28, (T' 1). No ticket won £250,000.

EURO MILLIONS FRIDAY NOV 17

12, 22, 32, 33, 36

Lucky Star
Numbers 2, 6

20 winners (including 7 from UK) share jackpot
and get £5.6m each

BA cross storm



BRITISH Airways was under fire last night after a check-in worker lost her appeal to wear a cross.

Nadia Eweida, 55, from Twickenham, south-west London, has refused to return to work at Heathrow airport.

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu, branded the BA decision "nonsense." Liberty director Shami Chakrabarti said it was "bonkers". London Mayor Ken Livingstone also backed the worker.

Happy Birthday



Thought for day

Why is it that most nudists are people you don't want to see naked?

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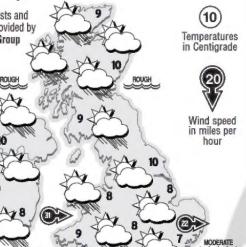
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INFO STATION

TODAY: Western England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland will have blustery showers with thunder. Wind, some gale force, in parts of the north and west. Remaining areas will have a mix of sunshine and showers.

OUTLOOK: Tomorrow, brighter spells in eastern regions will give way to rain. Thursday will be windy with rain spreading north, replaced by showers in the south later in the day.



THREE-DAY OUTLOOK

Wednesday Showers	10
Thursday Rain	10
Friday Showers	10
Saturday	10
Sunday	10

POUND ABROAD

Australia	2.34 dollars
Canada	2.06 dollars
Cyprus	0.81 pounds
Czech Republic	38.01 korunas
Mexico	18.48 pesos
South Africa	12.94 rand
Thailand	62.02 baht
Turkey	2.58 new lira
United States	1.81 dollars

EURO

Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Holland, Portugal, Spain	1.41
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ABROAD

Alcante	sunny	Moscow	fog
Corfu	fair	New York	sun
London	fair	Nice	sun
Madrid	sunny	Paris	sun
Los Angeles	sunny	Rome	sun
Majorca	sunny	Rhodes	cloudy
Miami	sunny	Tenerife	fair

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YOU'RE TAKING THE P



Quiz show spells a shock

■ **TELLY** bosses were left red-faced when two **Countdown** contestants spelled out the word "darkies".

Players Bernie Corrigan and Des Nixon put their heads down to come up with the longest word possible from the jumble of letters.

And when their 30 seconds were up, it proved a double embarrassment because both men came up with the same "offensive" word.

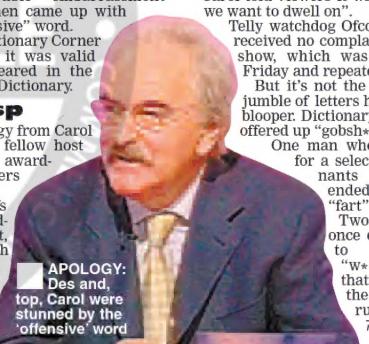
Experts in **Dictionary Corner** confirmed that it was valid because it appeared in the Oxford English Dictionary.

Gasp

After an apology from Carol Vorderman, 45, fellow host Des Lynam, 64, awarded both players seven points.

Telly chiefs decided to broadcast the incident, even though audience members were shocked.

One insider said: "There was a big



gasp when the contestants produced their words. Carol and Des dealt with it well, but it was very cringe-worthy."

A spokesman for Channel 4, which broadcasts the teatime quiz, said: "Both Carol and Des made it clear that the word is potentially offensive. But it was in the English Oxford Dictionary."

Carol told viewers it was "not a word we want to dwell on".

Telly watchdog Ofcom said it had received no complaints about the show, which was screened on Friday and repeated yesterday.

But it's not the first time the jumble of letters has produced a bloopoer. **Dictionary Corner** once offered up "gobsh*te" in 2001.

One man who asked Carol for a selection of consonants and vowels ended up with "fart" on the board.

Two contestants once even managed to spell out "w**kers", but that was cut from the show as too rude to screen.

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A HOL LOT LIKE TOM



HOT SPOT: The Cruises

BRIT tourists are flocking to take a romantic break in the town where Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes held their star-studded wedding.

Tour operators have been flooded with calls about trips to Bracciano, near Rome, where Tom, 44, and Katie, 27, staged their multi-million-pound bash over the weekend, even though they had wed officially in Los Angeles a week earlier – as revealed in the Star yesterday.

An Italian Tourist Board spokesman said: "We're expecting visitor figures to double."

Marines in blast at Blair

TONY BLAIR was left red-faced in Afghanistan yesterday when he met furious Royal Marines who demanded: "Why are we paid so poorly?"

The Prime Minister had hoped his flying visit to meet British troops would be a perfect photo opportunity.

But it backfired when Lance Corporal Kieran Ryan, 25, went on the attack over pay.

Mr Blair told him: "I cannot give guarantees about that. I think there is a desire to recognise the work that is being done."

Lnc Cpl Ryan replied: "I'll watch out for my wage rise."

He said later: "My point was that the starting wage for firemen and police officers is a lot higher than for the average Marine."

Battles

"Six months out here isn't an easy trip. Four days on and four days off for a fireman is a lot easier."

Even the military top brass made Blair's visit to the hotspot uncomfortable.

General David Richards, the British officer commanding the 31,500-strong Nato force in Afghanistan, said battles were still raging five years on from the fall of the Taliban.

Shadow Defence Secretary Liam Fox said Mr Blair's promises to supply our troops with the equipment to do the job were hollow.

"None of our troops will be fooled," said the Tory MP.

"He praises our brave troops and tells them they can have what they require, but we then discover the MoD is refusing to provide it."

Picture: REUTERS/TOBY MELVILLE



Dear Tony...this is not worth dying for

NOW IS THE TIME TO GO

DAILY Star readers want the Government to pull our troops out of Iraq.

We asked: "Has Iraq become our Vietnam?" after security expert Professor Paul Rogers said the war on terror could last 30 years.

Solution

Our vote lines revealed more than 88% of you thought Britain has become bogged down in the modern equivalent of the USA's "unwinable" Vietnam conflict.

The message was that the cost of Iraq – in lives and money – would drag on with no solution in sight, and so Britain should get out.



IRAQ HERO'S PLEA FROM GRAVE

HERO squaddie Lee Thornton was killed days after writing: "Dear Tony, stop putting our lives at risk. This is not worth dying for."

Gunner Thornton, fatally wounded when his patrol came under fire, made bitter criticism of Mr Blair's handling of Iraq in a private war diary.

Lee, 22, writes of a campaign in chaos and rock-bottom morale in his log, released by distraught parents Karen and

■ by JAMES WICKHAM

Mick. He tells how patrols are constantly forced to wait for help when armoured vehicles break down and pleads for the Prime Minister to give the Army better equipment.

Snipers

Lee, who died near Basra, suffered stonings by villagers and the ever-present threat of sniper or mortar attack.

He writes: "I don't trust the Iraqi army, the Iraqi police or the people – this is pointless."

On a rare day off in August he says: "I hate this place. It is

just not worth dying for. I wish Tony Blair could see that."

In another entry Lee, from Blackpool, who was dreaming of the day he would wed fiancée Helen O'Pray, says of the insurgents: "Why can't they stop bombing each other and then we can go home?"

After finding a starving baby, he writes: "She will probably be dead tomorrow."

Karen, who is sending the diary to the Prime Minister, said: "There has been such a waste of young lives, but I don't see how Tony Blair and George Bush can end it."

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IN LOVE: Tragic Lee with his fiancée Helen

BITTER: Gunner Lee

Pop babe fights cash-in hubby – with advice from porn queen Paris

EXCLUSIVE
by CHARLI MORGAN

BRITNEY Spears aims to wreck her husband's plan to cash in on their sizzling sex tape by leaking it herself.

The furious pop babe has threatened to release the tape of her honeymoon romp with Kevin Federline on the internet.

And, as our pictures show, it looks as though she's been having some advice from the queen of sex tapes herself, Paris Hilton.

The web leak would mean her estranged husband not making a penny from his scheme to sell the red-hot video to a porn mogul.

"Brit figures she'll beat that sucker to the punch," said the star's pal Nyla Price.

"Half of nothing is nothing, and that's what her lying skunk of a husband will get if she gives that video away before he can find some sleazeball to buy it."

"He says it's four hours long. But it's more like 45 minutes. And he's the only one that comes out of it looking stupid."

Britney, 24, is seething following adult film collector David Hans Schmidt's claims that Kevin, 28, has offered to sell him the X-rated footage.

Schmidt famously bought raunchy celebrity videos by stars including Colin Farrell and Jamie Foxx to publish on the internet.

If he clinches the deal with Federline, Schmidt predicts the tape will quadruple the money made by Paris's infamous tape *One Night In Paris*, which racked up £30million. He said: "Two

BLINGIN' JERK:
Kevin yesterday in Los Angeles



days after Britney filed for divorce I was contacted by an individual who indicated that he had a digital video of Britney Spears and Kevin Federline having sex.

"This tape would smash Paris Hilton's sex tape sales like an Oreo cookie."

New mum Britney and her sons – Sean Preston, one, and nine-week-old Jayden James – have been staying with family pal Nyla, 55, who runs a burger restaurant in Mississippi.

Brit assured her that the 45-minute tape would only be damaging to Kevin. So Nyla urged her to get in first and leak it to MySpace for free.

And it looks like Britney has been getting tips on how to handle her home-made porn from Paris, 25, after heading to Las Vegas.

The pair spent the night together in the resort's Tryst nightclub.

An insider said: "They got on famously. And Paris was clearly giving her some good tips, so that she comes out of this adult film fiasco smelling of roses."

But sadly Kevin was not around to film Britney, who arrived wearing black trousers but left in just a shirt with a pair of fishnet stockings.

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BRIT LEAKS SEX VID BEFORE KEV



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NO TIME TO KIP IF YOU WANNA CATCH ACTION

How to survive the Ashes test

BOSSES are braced to cope with bleary-eyed workers as millions of cricket fans line up an all-night Ashes bash.

The live TV test action begins late tomorrow night.

But with the last ball of the day not due to be bowled until 7am, sleep will take a back seat for fans during the five-match series.

Days off are expected to rocket, with many offices allowing flexitime hours to try to get some work out of their staff.

And motorists should watch out for some lousy driving as shattered fans take to the roads – being tired is as bad as your driving as being drunk.

True cricket fans who want to hold down their day jobs while catching all the action from Australia will have to "jet lag" body to stay awake.

■ by TOM SAVAGE

themselves to cope with the time differences.

Staying awake for five days is not an option, so the best time to catch up on your kip is as soon as you get home from work.

If you get your head down from 6pm-midnight, you can wake up refreshed for the "day" ahead.

Daft

Convincing the boss to let you work 8am-4pm rather than 9am-5pm will help, as will eating your meals at daft times of the day.

So to give Freddie Flintoff and the lads full backing, we suggest:

Midnight: Wake up and straight down to watch the first ball.

1am: Grab some breakfast. Eating meals at the "right" time of day will help convince your body to stay awake.

6am: As the rest of your house starts to stir, it's time for lunch.

7am: Cricket normally finishes. Get ready for work.

9am: Get to work. It should feel like about 4pm, so you'll still be fit to go.

12pm: Dinner time. Get your main meal of the day down you while your colleagues eat lunch.

5pm: Home time. Skip the session in the pub if you're going to stick to the regime. Besides, it probably feels like midnight so you'll be shattered.

6pm: You'll be tucked up with cocoa, dreaming of the next night's action.

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Where it's all happening

FIRST TEST: November 23-27, The Gabba, Brisbane, Queensland.

SECOND TEST: December 1-5, Adelaide Oval, Adelaide, South Australia.

THIRD TEST: December 14-18: The WACA, Perth, Western Australia.

FOURTH TEST: December 26-30: The MCG, Melbourne, Victoria.

FIFTH TEST: January 2-6: SCG, Sydney, New South Wales.



Get the buzz from Oz

HOW TO WATCH OR LISTEN

The build-up starts on Sky Sports 1 at 11pm tomorrow, ahead of the start of play at midnight.

Test Match Special has live ball-by-ball coverage of the Tests through the night on 198 long wave, Five Live Sports Extra on digital radio and Freeview, and through the red button on digital telly.

If you don't have Sky, catch the highlights on BBC2 after Newsnight.

THE BETTING

Bookies are bracing themselves for a mega £20million betting frenzy during the Ashes. Most of the money so far

has been for the Aussies, who are odds-on favourites.

THE HISTORY

England captured the Ashes in 2005 for the first time since the winter of 1986/87, when we last won them Down Under.

But the rivalry has been fierce ever since the Aussies won the 1882 contest, causing an English paper to announce the death of English cricket.

It made a joker burn a bail and hand over the urn containing the ashes – and that's the trophy the teams play for to this day.



NIGHT FEVER:
Stay awake to back Freddie Flintoff's bid to see off the Aussies

Picture:
REUTERS

ASHES SPECIAL: You won't make me crack – Pages 56-57



Bowl them over in Oz

BRING on the Aussies! It's only two days to go before England begin the defence of the Ashes.

Last year's victory – the first since 1987 – turned us into a nation of cricket fans.

It made stars of captain Michael Vaughan, Andrew "Freddie" Flintoff and Kevin Pietersen.

Now it's the chance of the likes of young batsman Alastair Cook and bowler Monty Panesar to become household names.

Flintoff – captain in the absence of the injured Vaughan – can turn himself into a sporting legend.

Our footballers disappointed when they slunk out of the World Cup this summer.

And our rugby players recently suffered the humiliation of losing seven games in a row.

But our cricketers can come to the rescue of English sport by trouncing the old enemy on their home soil.

We're right behind them!

Copping a big change

LABOUR'S handling of the immigration system has descended from chaos into farce.

One Home Secretary admitted they were "clueless" about how many illegal immigrants were in the country.

Ministers said no more than 13,000 Eastern Europeans from the new EU states would come here each year looking for work.

The real figure turned out to be in excess of 300,000.

Now comes what is surely the biggest joke of all.

The North Wales police force is ready to hire Polish officers.

They say they need them to cope with the huge influx of immigrants from Poland.

So we've now reached the stage where parts of Britain have become so foreign that we need foreigners to carry out the policing.

It's further proof that Tony Blair has allowed Britain to change in truly alarming ways.

Wacko tips

I'M A Celebrity's David Gest got advice from pal Michael Jackson before going into the jungle.

Oh, yes, Jacko is the right man to turn to for lessons on how to deal with fame.

LOOK WHAT VLADIMIR KGB POISONERS HAVE DONE TO ME



THIS is poisoned KGB defector Alexander Litvinenko.

He was slipped enough thallium to kill a man three times over in a 007-style plot.

The picture, released last night, shows how Litvinenko, 41, has lost his hair and looks.

Electronic sensors are stuck all over his chest as medics battle to keep him alive.

Scotland Yard's Counter Terrorism Command put a 24-hour guard on him at London's University College Hospital.

Detectives are investigating leads including claims that Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered the wiping out of "turncoat" Litvinenko.

Top sources say Litvinenko may have become a marked man after he allegedly discovered the identity of the killer of top Russian journalist Anna Politkovskaya, who was a fierce critic of Putin.

In an amazing departure from standard protocol, the Kremlin yesterday broke its silence to denounce the conspiracy theories as "raving madness".

But it became clear that Litvinenko had met a string of

■ by JAMES WICKHAM

big players in the shady world of espionage on the day he was struck down.

He first met Professor Mario Scarmella, an expert on the Italian underworld from Naples University, at a London sushi bar called Itsu.

Then he went on to meet a former KGB officer at a London hotel.

When he got there, his contact was with a mystery man.

Detectives are said to

believe the hotel would

have been the most like-

ly setting for an

assassin to strike.

A pal of the exile claimed Litvinenko was poisoned on the orders of Putin. Alex Goldfarb said: "Nobody's saying Putin personally ordered it, although it's very likely."

Thallium, used as a rat poison, is colourless, tasteless and dissolves in water. It works like a powerful toxin, packing up organs.

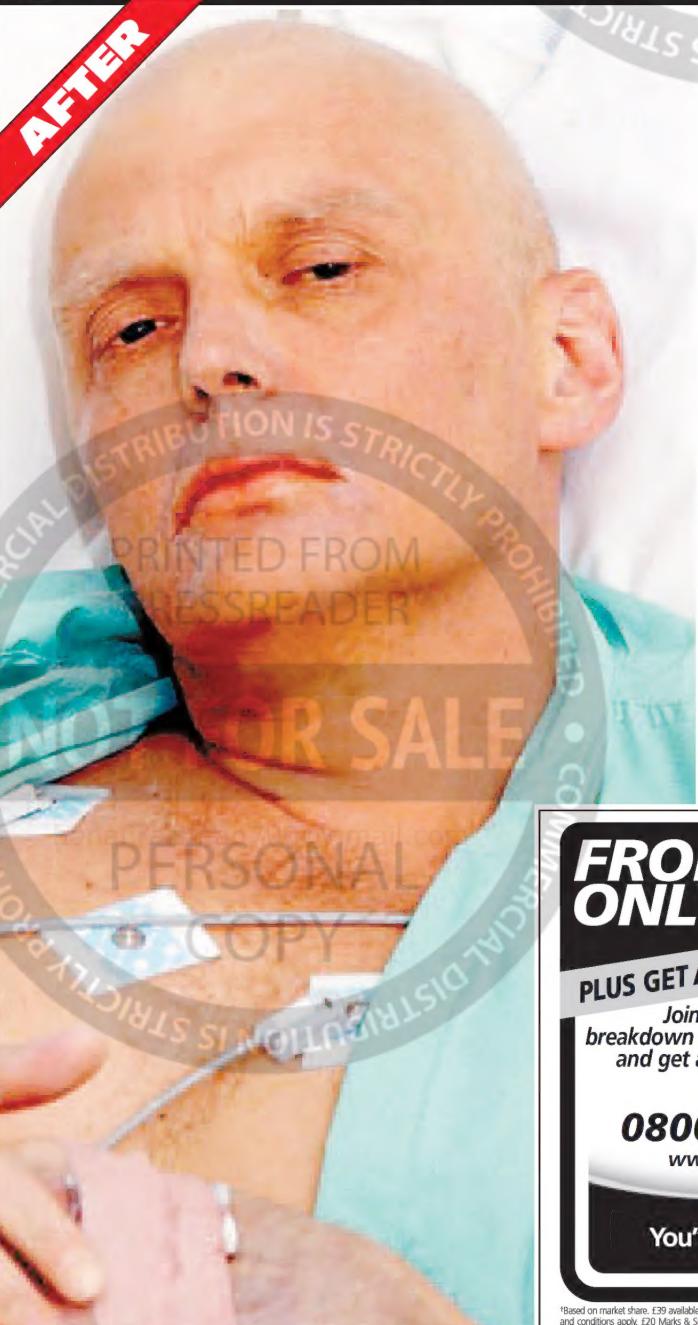
The last man to see Litvinenko before he was poisoned, Prof Scarmella, is thought to have been put in an MI5 safe house.

He allegedly handed over vital documents to Litvinenko which named the killers of the Russian journalist.

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'MADNESS': Putin



Agents' trail of horror

ALEXANDER Litvinenko is the latest in a long line of people to have fallen victim to shadowy forces...

BULGARIAN exile **Georgi Markov** was killed in 1978 by a KGB assassin who spiked him with an umbrella on Waterloo Bridge in London.

The umbrella shot a pellet laden with deadly ricin into the victim. Markov thought it was no more than an accidental knock and walked off with a sore leg. But the poison seeped from the pellet and killed him four days later.

STEPHAN Bandera, an exiled Ukrainian politician, was killed by KGB assassin Bogdan Stashynsky in Munich in 1959. Stashynsky, now serving life for the murder, used a cyanide gas gun hidden in a newspaper and fired it into Bandera's face.

UKRAINIAN President **Viktor Yushchenko** fell ill during his election campaign in September 2004 after a dinner with security chiefs, but survived. Doctors found the poison dioxin in his blood.

EAST German **Wolfgang Welsch** died after eating thallium-laced burgers in 1981 after being befriended by Peter Haack who was ordered to kill Welsch by the Stasi, the East German secret police.

IN 2002 Chechen warlord **Khatabb** – a key link to Islamist militants – received a poison letter and died.

NOBEL Prize winner **Alexander Solzhenitsyn** was stabbed in the leg by a poison knitting needle in 1971, but survived.

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Matt's in the muck

MUDGY Matt loses out to fighting Phina in the Celebrity Chest swamp search. His teammate Scott had just sat on the chest after the teams dived in for the keys, prompting her to storm "That's bulls***!" At the final whistle it was girls on top, with Phina and Lauren victorious over Scott and Matt, inset.

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BUGOMETER

DAVID

The showbiz King ignored the King of Pop's pleas not to come to the jungle – we're glad he did because he's proving to be TV gold!



JASON

Mr Can Do is turning his hand to everything, proving he's the daddy of the jungle and still one of the favourites to win.



TOBY

We know he's full of it and now the rest of the camp does too ... he won't stop complaining because he hasn't been to the loo since he arrived!



LAUREN

The big mouth let rip at Jan as soon as the girls were alone and told her to nominate herself for the chop. Miao! Put the claws away, love.



SCOTT

Memo to the target of his desire Ronan Keating – stay clear of this one, he's obsessed! Missing the girls now they've been separated. It'll be funny to see how he copes.



FAITH

Megaboobs has turned on the tears again – we're wondering exactly who she's impersonating... no-one can be that wet!



MATT

We don't like watching people lose the plot but he needs to get a grip – the lad is so boring and proving to be a real jungle let-down.



DEAN

He may be tanned but he's still spotty. Unlike his dog, this has-been is not Well 'Ard and it won't be long before the cracks start to appear.



MALANDRA

Not done a thing since she arrived. Producers should have put an Emmerdale sheep in the jungle instead.



JAN

The camp moaner reckons she's going to be crowned queen of the jungle after doing well in Bush Tucker Trials – just keep dreaming, love!



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HISS-TERICAL: The girls' new camp at Snake Rock. Right, Mylène prepares to move in

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Claws out in war of the sexes

■ THE show's jungle Janes are at each other's throats after TV bosses turned the show into a battle of the sexes. The 12 campers have been split into two rival gangs – boys versus girls – and will compete for food, treats and even immunity from eviction. ■ But, far from uniting the women, the stunt has caused a massive bust-up.

■ from PETER DYKE in Oz

Moaner Jan Leeming, 64, claimed she hated the "girly gang" and didn't get on with any of them.

■ Gobby Lauren Booth, 39, told Jan she should volunteer for the axe ASAP. Comedienne Faith Brown, 65, broke down, claiming she wanted to stay with "my boys".

And all the women hit the roof claiming they looked like Smurfs when told they had to wear blue and yellow outfits.

■ The lads will remain in Base Camp and the girls will move to Snake Rock Camp, more than a mile away. The biggest prize during one task will be immunity for the whole team from the first eviction on Friday night.

JACKO: STAY OUT OF BUSH, DAVID

Pop pal warned Gest about TV stitch-up

EXCLUSIVE
from PETER DYKE in Oz

DAVID GEST turned to best friend Michael Jackson for tips before hitting the jungle – and was told to get himself out of there.

Jacko tried to stop him going in because he feared TV bosses would make him look a fool.

Wacko Jacko, 48, reckoned Gest would become a laughing stock – just like the singer was after he let TV journalist Martin Bashir do a fly-on-the-wall show about him.

Crazy

The amazing revelation comes from the concert promoter's bodyguard Imad Handi, 28.

He told how all Gest's showbiz pals – especially Jacko – thought he was crazy signing up. The min-



DON'T DO IT: Jacko and pal Gest, seen with bodyguard Imad Handi



Picture: TIM MERRY

der, who has worked for Gest for five years, said: "I think being in the jungle will do him and his public image the world of good.

"But before we flew out there, the whole Jackson clan were saying: 'Don't do it. We think you are mad going on this show.'"

Loyal Imad is also baffled by rumours that his boss is secretly gay. He declared: "I don't

know where these rumours came from. David is not gay – he likes all kinds of women. He's dated La Toya Jackson!"

"Black, white, Asian ... he has a very varied taste."

And he gave an insight into how Gest, 53, treats the women he falls for.

He revealed: "He is very romantic and he will shower girls with gifts like jewellery and treat them

with the utmost respect. I've heard him sing down the phone, making up one of his wonderful songs."

"He can put together a beautiful love song – the songs have certainly been better than the rap he did in the jungle."

And Imad – who claims he is something of a love machine himself – claims Gest can beat him hands down in the romance stakes. He revealed: "I like women. I once pleased eight ladies in one night."

"But David doesn't need any tips from me – and the ones he likes would be out of my league."

Gest will host his New Year's Weekend All-Star Soul Spectacular, featuring The New Stylistics, Candi Staton, Bonnie Tyler and Martha Reeves and the Vandellas, at Cadogan Hall in London from December 29 to 31.

● I'm a Celebrity is on ITV1 tonight at 9.45pm.

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CASINO ROYALE!



EL OF AN EARNER:
Daniel in Spain with co-star
Caterina yesterday
Picture: GETTY IMAGES

Bond film rakes in record £13M

NEW Bond movie *Casino Royale* has set a record by raking in £13.4million in its opening weekend.

It's a big vote of confidence in star Daniel Craig, who has won over the fans and critics.

The 38-year-old hunk's debut as the superspy was yesterday revealed as the biggest earning Bond launch.

It beat the previous opening weekend record of £9.1m set in 2002 by *Die Another Day*, starring Pierce Brosnan, now 53.

Casino Royale also rates third in the all-time UK launch figures, beaten only by 2005 smash *Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire* and *Pirates Of The*

■ by LAURA NEIL

Caribbean: *Dead Man's Chest*, released earlier this year.

The decision to cast Craig as the first Bond was controversial and some 007 fans even called for a boycott.

But critics are now hailing him as the best Bond of all.

Yesterday Daniel was busy promoting the movie in Madrid with co-star Caterina Murino, 32, who plays sexy Solange.

But while *Casino Royale* is breaking records here, it might not quite hit the same peaks across the Atlantic.

Despite earning £22.5m this weekend in the States, it's set to be beaten by *Happy Feet* – a cartoon about penguins.

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Girl death probe

A YOUNG woman has been arrested on suspicion of murder after a four-year-old girl was battered to death.

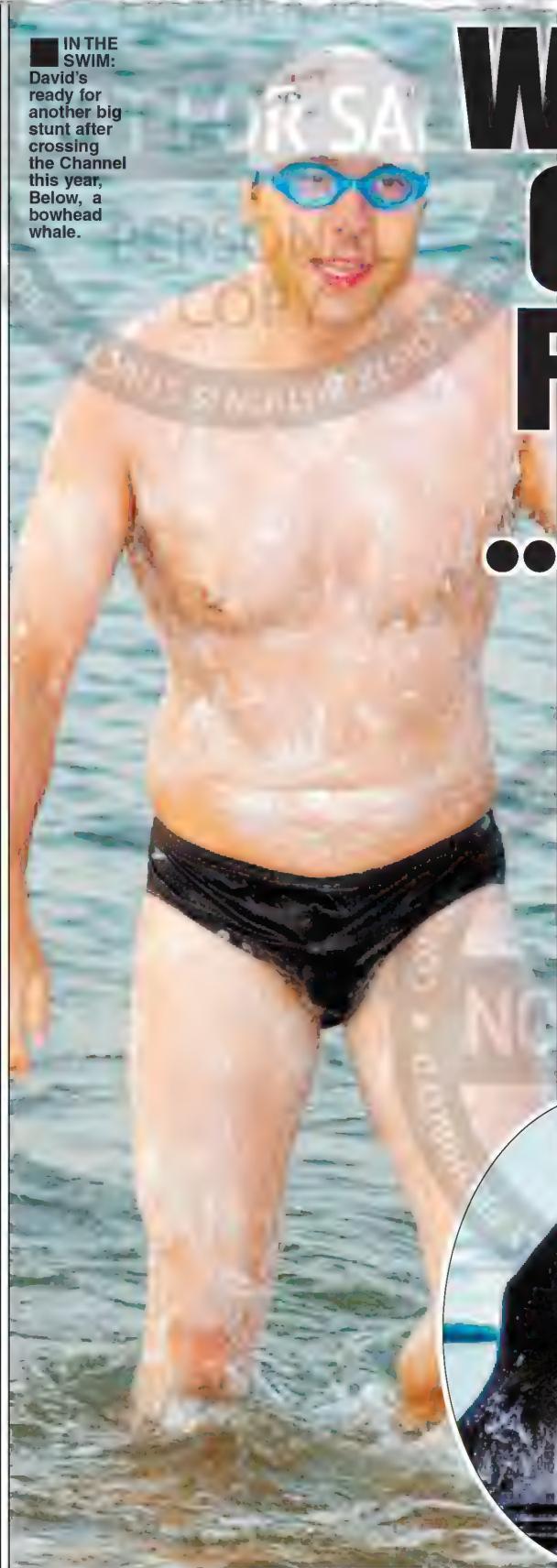
Little Leticia Aalayah Wright was rushed to hospital on Saturday and died the next day.

Police were yesterday carrying out house-to-house inquiries near her home in Huddersfield, West Yorks, where the family had lived for three months.

Last night the 22-year-old woman was being questioned by police, who appealed for information.

Comic faces killer whales to cross icy strait

IN THE SWIM:
David's ready for another big stunt after crossing the Channel this year. Below, a bowhead whale.



WALLIAMS: I'M GONNA SWIM FROM RUSSIA ... TO AMERICA



SERVED WITH ICE: Where Walliams will cross

EXCLUSIVE ■ by KATIE BEGLEY

DARING David Walliams plans to swim from Russia to America, braving icy seas and killer whales.

The comic is "seriously considering" swimming the Bering Strait, which separates the two countries.

Walliams wants to do another stunt for charity after swimming the English Channel this year, which made more than £1million for Comic Relief and is likely to win him the title of Sports Personality of the Year.

He told the Daily Star: "I trained for a year to swim the

Channel and got pretty good at it. I'm seriously considering swimming from Russia to America."

The Little Britain star, 35, added: "It's extremely cold

and apparently I would be swimming with a lot of

killer whales, so it's something I'd have to give a lot of thought to."

Icebergs

"But it's definitely a possibility."

David, who slimmed to tackle the Channel, would have to pile on the pounds to beat the Arctic temperatures he would face to swim the 2.7 miles separating Russia and the US.

The sea is frozen for most of the year and he would be among icebergs as well as killer and bowhead whales.

The first person to complete the swim, American Lynne Cox, 30, doubled her body weight to protect herself against the intense cold and crossed in two hours, six minutes, in 1987.

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Jen is not so Jolie

ANGELINA Jolie is said to be livid after **Jennifer Aniston** invited **Brad Pitt's** parents for Thanksgiving dinner.

Jen's relationship with her ex-in-laws is said to be infuriating Angelina, 31, who has a six-month-old daughter and shares custody of her adoptive children with Brad, 42.

Family

According to US reports she feels Jen, 37, is "poking her nose into family matters".

A source said: "She is distraught that the woman who is practically her mother-in-law is continuing to mix with Brad's ex wife."

Jen's pal Tonya Hart said: "Jen thought she was doing good, but apparently it's whipped up a hornet's nest." We can barely keep up!

BAD news fellas... **Pamela Anderson** has lost her puppies. But don't panic boys, she's still got her funbags, she's just lost her beloved chihuahua Luca and another pooch belonging to a pal.

Pam, 39, gave the mutts to her folks to mind while filming her new flick *Blonde And Blonder* in Canada and now she's convinced they were dognapped as her dippy parents walked them on a Malibu beach.

PETA fan Pam said: "My little Luca went missing off the beach and I think somebody took him. My parents were with him on a private beach where he normally runs but he's been on medication and may have been a bit groggy. I need him back. He's out there on that beach and I need to save him."

You're the Baywatch babe Pam – so do your stuff.

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J. LO GETS INTO POSH'S PANTS



Xtina's loved up in Dirrry old town

CHRISTINA Aguilera might be a married woman but she's as dirrry as ever.

The saucy vixen, 25, celebrated her first wedding anniversary with her fella, **Jordan Bratman**, 29, in Ireland.

Xtina is so proud of her Irish roots she took him for a night out in Dublin.

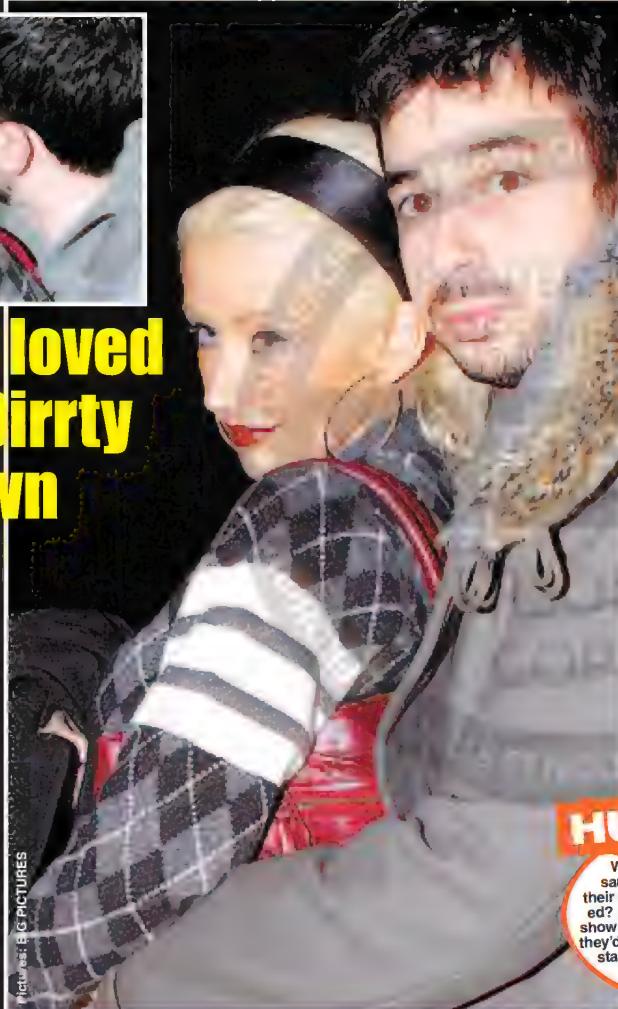
They ate at the fair city's Town Bar and Grill Italian restaurant.

Blushes

Fellow diners were in danger of reacquainting themselves with their starters when the couple started smooching.

But the odd pair spared everybody's blushes by eating the rest of their meal underneath the table, so they could canoodle in peace.

A gossip said: "The poor waiters had to deliver the food and wine under the table."



Babes' designs on sexy undies

JENNIFER Lopez wants **Victoria Beckham** to launch a new lingerie range with her.

The Hollywood A-lister is also turning to Posh for help with a new chick flick.

JLo, 37, right, has high hopes for her and Mrs. B., below right, after they chatted for more than two hours at the wedding of **Tom Cruise**, 44, and **Katie Holmes**, 27.

And we can reveal the sexy singer, who was at the star-studded event on the arm of her husband **Marc Anthony**, 37, has told pals she is "excited" about the future possibilities of working with Posh.

An insider said: "Jennifer thought Victoria was a real character and very much hopes they can stay friends now they have met. They talked about the film industry and then their shared love - fashion."

"Jen is in the process of writing a couple of films, one of which is a real chick flick about two sisters who get separated at birth but are later reunited."

"And she hopes that Victoria will lend a

hand if needs be and give her opinions on the script. Just to get another female perspective on it all."

"But Jennifer is even more excited about wanting to launch her own lingerie range with Mrs Beckham. She thinks the pair could be capable of developing a seriously sexy range."

That is something we don't doubt.

Football

Jen has a successful JLo fashion range. And Victoria is the design guru behind her VB jeans brand.

But it wasn't just film and fashion on their minds.

Our mole added: "They talked about David having to stay behind in Madrid and Jen's husband Marc was enthusing about football."

"He was laughing, saying it has taken him ages to work the game out, but he finally understands the offside rule."

"Jennifer also asked Victoria about juggling work with being a mum-of-three, and genuinely seemed somewhat broody."

We think both brunettes will become firm friends... Ain't It Funny?

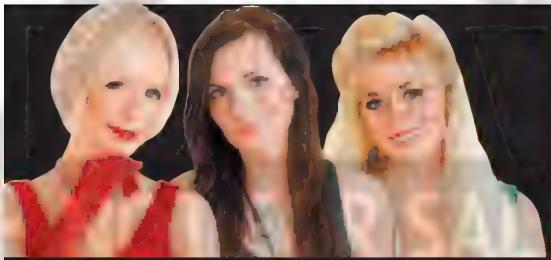
HUSH HUSH

WHICH singer cost a charity thousands by pulling out of performing at their showbiz bash minutes before it started? Claiming she was "too exhausted" to show up only infuriated organisers more as they'd splashed out on a specially designed stage. Still, she is suffering severe personal problems so what goes around comes around and all that.

SPOTTED

IN London: **James Nesbitt** smiling on Wardour Street, **Rachel Stevens** in The Washington Pub and **Juliette Lewis** in Selfridges. In Leeds: **Gemma Atkinson** in the Victoria Quarter, Roundhay and in Gateshead, **Jimmy Savile** in The Flying Pizza, **Ellison** buying some sexy lingerie at La Senza, the Metro Centre.

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QUICKIES...QUICKIES...QUICKIES...QUICKIES...QUICKIES...

■ EVEN a car crash won't stop determined **Lindsay Lohan** getting her talons into **Calum Best**. La Lohan, 20, was returning from London's Hakkasan restaurant when a police van had a smash with her Range Rover.

But she simply ordered a replacement car and continued her journey to the love nest of Calum, 25.

■ **NICOLE Kidman**, 39, was on fine form at London's Dorchester Hotel – the same Park Lane venue where the Young Heroes awards ceremony was taking place yesterday afternoon.

And one guest said: "It was so sweet, Nicole just happened to be in the bar area and was convinced by some residents to just go through to the last bit of the awards ceremony."

■ **THE** mind boggles after **Richard Madeley**, 50, said the foundation for his marriage with **Judy Finnigan**, 58, is sex.

He said: "Sex is the bedrock for me, but I don't mean there is hot action every night down Hampstead way."

We don't even know if he means Hampstead the place, or something even more terrible.

Picture: STEVE BAGNESS

Jess-perate Nad happy again



PUT your hands away, chit. It's time the delectable **Jessie J** got into the music business.

Nadine Coyle, 21, missed out on fame by splitting from the boyband girl band. But she ditched them by leaving the girl band ranks at Headquarters and instead went to join the girl band of the year, the Spice Girls.

Jessie, 21, has announced if you continue to maintain the

relationship between their

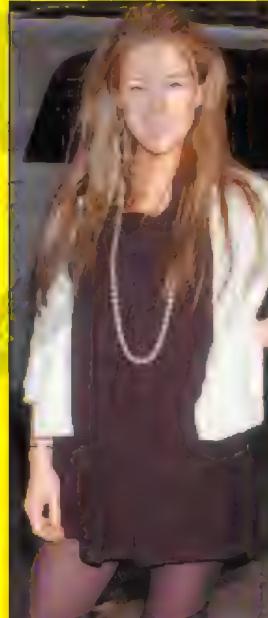
which takes them for joyous sides of the globe.

But the Girls Aloud cutie is merely an armful to become a **Superstar** (Housewife), who's prepared to put up with dodgy airline meals.

An insider said: "They took a break but really missed each other and now they're even more determined to be together. They're not to be sorry for even thinking about it."

Not as sorry as we are.

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Coleen's a hotty

A BEVY of babes were out in force at the Young Heroes awards in London.

Hollyoaks hotties **Gemma Atkinson**, 22, above, and **Roxanne McKee**, 24, left, looked yummy but it was

Wayne Rooney's sexy fiancée, **Coleen McLoughlin**, 20, top, who stole the show in this casual chic number.

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The rise has been blamed on a

■ by TOM SAVAGE

drop in price to less than £40 a gram. Harry Shapiro, of the charity Drugscope, also blamed coke-sniffing stars such as model Kate Moss, left.

He said: "Cocaine still has this celebrity cachet, although it has percolated through society. It's become a more unremarkable part of a lot of people's night out."

Labour MP Paul Flynn said the rise could not just be tackled by trying to crack down on users and dealers.

He said: "We have the harshest drug laws in Europe and the greatest use of drugs in Europe. The laws aren't working. They have increased drug deaths and the amount of drug crime."

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SHADY LADY: Madonna sets off for her London gym yesterday

Madge works out baby row

■ LIFE went on as normal for Madonna yesterday while the row over her adoption of Baby David rumbled on.

The singer, 48, went to her pilates gym in north London.

But in Malawi, David's dad Yohane Banda, 32, is preparing for another child.

He married his pregnant girlfriend only weeks after Madonna brought one-year-old David to Britain to adopt him.

And a Malawi High Court judge yesterday postponed ruling on a challenge to the adoption process by a human rights group.

It is the second time

■ by MAZ PARTASIDES

the case has been put off in two weeks and it is now due to be heard early next week.

■ Judge Andrew Nyirenda had been due to rule on a petition by 67 human rights and child groups.

They claim the Malawi government cut legal corners to "fast-track" Madge's adoption process because of her fame.

■ But the superstar's lawyer Alan Chinula said international adoption laws in the African country were "archaic, impractical and unrealistic".



NEW TOT: Dad Yohane



DELIGHTED: Edmonds

Noel's game is big deal

■ by LAURA NEIL
DEAL Or No Deal is proving to be a real Christmas cracker as sales of its DVD game go through the roof.

The interactive version of the hit telly show sold 25,000 copies on its first day on store shelves, making it the fastest-selling DVD game ever.

Now it is on course to be the biggest-selling DVD of the year, with sales topping more than 87,000 since it was launched a week ago.

Thrilled

Noel Edmonds, 57, host of the Channel 4 show, said: "I'm just thrilled to be involved in something so popular and well-loved."

"The DVD game has captured all of the ingredients and the mood of the show."

Fans of the show are also in for a Christmas treat because its makers Endemol have doubled the jackpot to £500,000 for two festive specials.

They will be screened on Christmas Day and Boxing Day.



Driving us crazy

MORE than four in five people do not know the legal drink-drive limit.

Women are the worst, with only 13% of those polled by Carrentals.co.uk aware that 80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood is the maximum.

And 20% of 16-24 year olds said they knew they had driven under the influence, compared with 10% nationally.

Leo stops gunman



HEROIC: DiCaprio

GRANDAD ALWAYS SAID I'D COME INTO MONEY...

by £6.7m lotto winner!

FOOTBALL-crazy Dean Hardman yesterday toasted his £6.7million EuroMillions lottery win then declared: "Now I can buy my club!"

Factory foreman Dean, 32, follows lowly League Two side Bury home and away and stretched his budget to buy a season ticket.

Dean said: "My grandad always said I'd come into money. It's one of the last things he said to me before he died."

Now Dean is looking to buy a box at his beloved Gigg Lane ground to help the cash-strapped Lancashire outfit.

Wearing his Bury shirt, he celebrated his win at the ground with champagne.

Dean said: "Already everyone's been saying I should make an offer to buy the club and I might."

"We're all Bury fans around here and every phone call I've had seems to involve me putting money into the club."

"I've had people saying I should buy a

■ by JOHN MAHONEY

striker, two defenders, the club outright and even pay for a pre-season club tour to Brazil next summer. It's gone crazy. I'll probably treat my friends to a box. I'd like to help the club any way I can."

Dean helps girlfriend Stella Kelsall run The Crown pub in Heywood, Gtr Manchester, and was playing dominoes when he checked his ticket on Friday.

He shared the massive jackpot kifky of £123,232,395 with 20 other winners.

Winners

Now he plans to head to Australia for the Ashes series, chuck in his job and buy a racehorse.

Seven winners came from the UK with the numbers 12, 22, 32, 33, 36 and Lucky Stars 2 and 6.

A 33-strong syndicate of Shropshire pie factory workers also scooped £6.7m. They work at Palethorpes, which employs around 700 people at Market Drayton.

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LOVELY BUBBLY: Dean Hardman and girlfriend Stella celebrate

■ by ELIZABETH JAMES

He said: "We went to eat and somebody threatened to kill me there. Leo said, 'Well, you're gonna have to go through me.'

And the gunman, who had picked on Oscar-nominated Djimon Hounsou, 42, was so shocked that he fled the scene in Mozambique, south east Africa.

Hounsou, from Benin, west Africa, who was filming new adventure movie Blood Diamond with Leo, was sure he would have been shot but for DiCaprio's bravery.

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BATTLE OF BANDS FOR No 1

the year for album releases and Westlife have admitted recording covers because they can't find any good original pop songs.

The Irish lads, who scored a No 1 single with *The Rose* two weeks ago, have an unbeatable track record, famously beating the *Spice Girls* to the top in 2000.

But this week is their toughest battle to date.

The Love Album includes camp classics *Total Eclipse Of The Heart* and *Solitaire*.

Loifeir **Mark Feehily**, 26, said: "Our preferred choice would've been to have recorded a new studio album but this will buy us time like the Rat Pack col-

lection we did. Good pop doesn't fall out of trees. Not many writers are writing for pop now and we didn't want to record mediocre R&B or rock.

"We've released an album every year for the past eight years and there simply wasn't enough time to find an album's worth of new songs.

Original

"A lot of our fans would prefer an original album but this is better than no album at all."

William Hill have Oasis as 1-12 favourite to sell the most albums by Sunday's chart.

A spokesman said: "Oasis are all but certain

to be gain the top spot at the weekend.

"But we think The Beatles album will sell more in total and is the frontrunner to be the Christmas No 1 album."

Personally, my money is on Oasis this week.

For the first time all their best songs, including some cracking B-sides like *Acquiesce*, are on one disc.

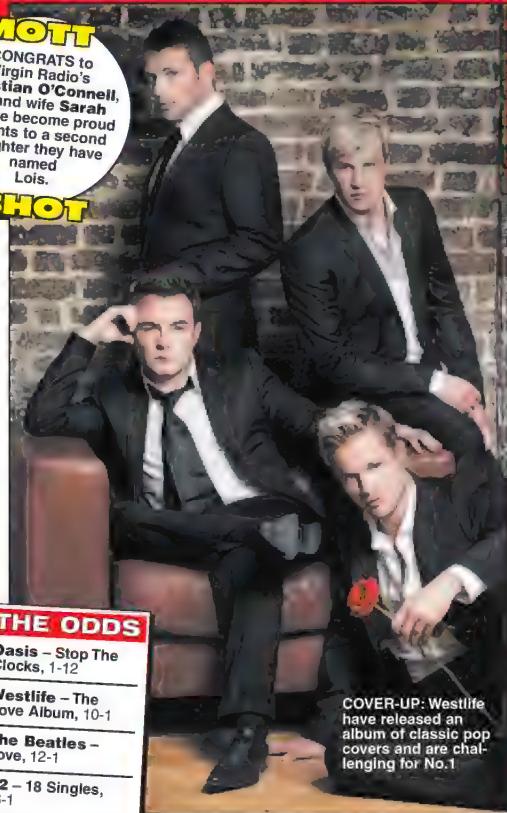
It doesn't get better than that for Christmas stocking fillers. I expect it to keep shifting bucketloads well into the New Year.

HMV's Castaldo added: "Watch out for *Take That*, though. They might trump them all with their comeback album next week."

MOTT

CONGRATS to Virgin Radio's Christian O'Connell, 33, and wife Sarah, who've become proud parents to a second daughter they have named Lois.

SHOT



THE ODDS

Oasis - Stop The Clocks, 1-12

Westlife - The Love Album, 10-1

The Beatles - Love, 12-1

U2 - 18 Singles, 16-1

COVER-UP: Westlife have released an album of classic pop covers and are challenging for No.1

JOHNNY Borrell is a secret history buff.

The *Razorlight* frontman loves nothing more than soaking up knowledge while travelling on tour. Johnny, 26, told me: "We watch a lot of films on the tour bus. Me and Carl are really into historical documentaries.

"The History Of Britain is a favourite, as well as *The World At War*."

Jetset Divo

IL DIVO have a private jet to fly them to London for this week's X Factor.

The opera lads, who've announced a world tour for May, will perform a tune from new album *Sempre*. **Simon Cowell**, 47, reckons it's their finest record to date.

Tickets for the spring gig are on sale this Friday from www.ildivo.com/worldtour

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FEUD 'N' DRINK



BUBBLING OVER: Heather Mills and her pal Michele

Happy Heather toasts new life as a telly star

BATTING Heather Mills swapped feuds for food yesterday.

She took a break from her divorce wrangle to film a US telly show about vegan grub.

Blonde Heather stepped up her personal PR campaign as she trawled round Los Angeles health food shops with a beaming smile.

Then the ex-model slipped into a low-cut black dress to sip champagne with best friend and US publicist Michele Elyzabeth. The pair

■ by NADINE LINGE

watched as a team of chefs created vegan dishes for the pilot show.

Heather, 38, is determined to make it big with a TV career in the States. And she is desperate to win public favour in her split from ex-Beatle Sir Paul McCartney, 64.

"Heather seemed in great spirits," said an onlooker. "She was playing up to the cameras and pulling funny faces. She didn't look like she had a care in the world."

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NEW LEAF: Heather shops for her telly role without a thought of husband Sir Paul, right
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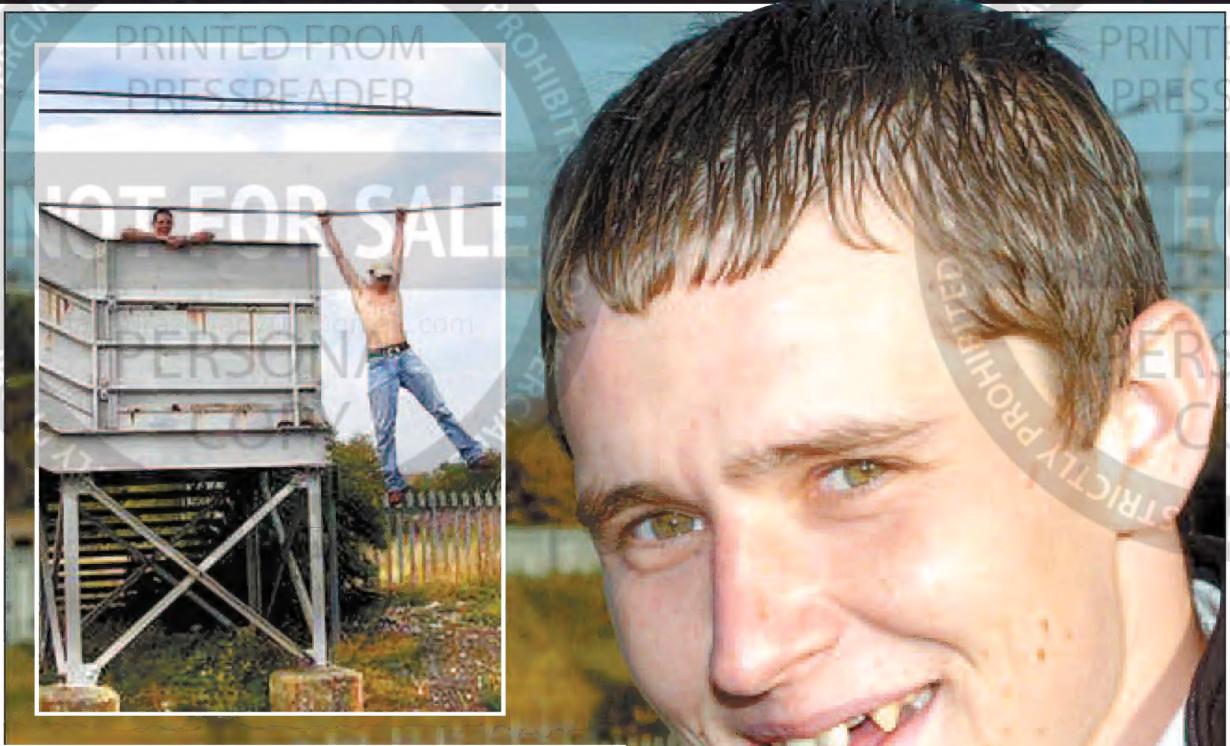
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left, taken by
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REAL-LIFE JACKASS

Drunk fool swings off 25,000 volt rail cable

PLONKER Shane White was lucky to live after swinging from a 25,000-volt rail cable.

■ by JERRY LAWTON

time in 15 years. And even then he avoided being fried alive by seconds. He dropped to the ground to pick up his fallen baseball cap and then power came on.

He had no memory of it as he had three litres of cider and cans of beer - until he saw his picture in his local paper.

White handed himself in and yesterday at Tamworth Magistrates' Court was given a suspended sentence.

White said afterwards: "I must be the luckiest man alive. I won't be doing that again, that's for sure."

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Truck boy, 12 killed tot sis

■ by LAURA NEIL
A TODDLER died after being run over by a skip lorry driven by her 12-year-old brother, the Old Bailey heard yesterday.

Gary Collier junior started up the engine and 30 seconds later two-year-old Crystal was crushed under its wheels.

The accident in July last year was at a waste management yard run by their dad Gary Collier, 37, in Bedfont, Middlesex.

Collier, from nearby Laleham, admitted manslaughter by gross negligence at an earlier hearing.

He was remanded on bail yesterday and will be sentenced today.

The court was told Collier doted on Crystal, his only daughter, referring to her as his "little princess".

Suffering

He has visited her grave each day and refused to take medication for depression fearing he would lose his memories of her.

His son was also suffering and felt hugely responsible, the court heard.

Witnesses said they had seen the children running around the yard and they were "an accident waiting to happen".

Gary Jnr, who was allowed by his dad to park cars but never to move lorries, had been seen operating machinery and sitting in a lorry cab alone. Linda Strudwick QC, defending, told the court that Collier idolised Crystal.

She said: "He feels hugely responsible and for him his life now has no meaning."



Muslims jail clash

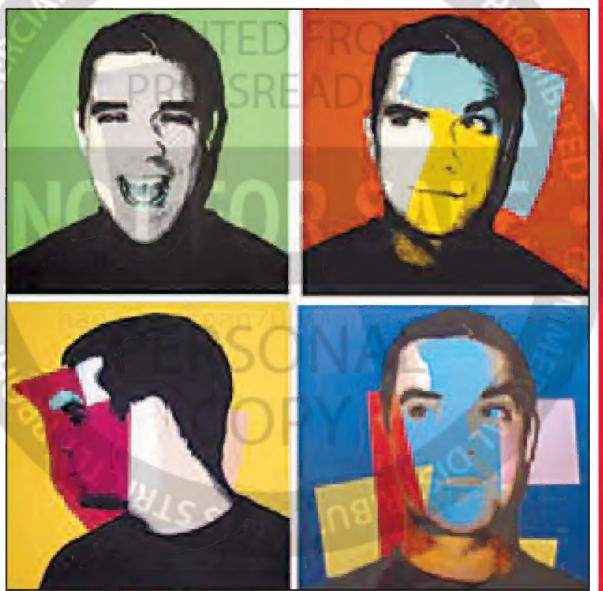
AN "explosive" row has split Muslims in Britain's largest jail.

The stand-off at Wandsworth, south London, started over the prison Imam who has now been replaced.

But there are still differences between the Asian Muslims and the North African and Afro-Caribbean Muslims, which could lead to conflict, warns the Independent Monitoring Board.

IT'S GAME OVER

A LORRY driver had his HGV containing £75,000 worth of Xbox consoles stolen on the A38 near Lichfield, Staffs.



ROB UP HIS OWN ARTS!

POP hunk Robbie Williams is the star attraction in his own DIY art exhibition.

The chart-topper turned painter to create a set of Andy Warhol-style artworks of himself.

Now they will go on show in a top gallery alongside masterpieces by such art legends as Picasso, Renoir, Matisse, Dali and Chagall.

Perfect

Each of 32-year-old Robbie's four exhibits has a price tag of £2,950. Bosses at the gallery in the Wales Millennium Centre at Cardiff Bay reckon the Robster is the perfect celebrity to make art trendy and pull in

BIG DRAW:
Robbie and, above, his self-portraits

EXCLUSIVE ■ by NADINE LINGE

young punters. A spokeswoman said: "Robbie's a real artist - both in his music and his pictures.

"We wanted to bring art into the 21st Century and make it interesting for younger people. Robbie's perfect for that.

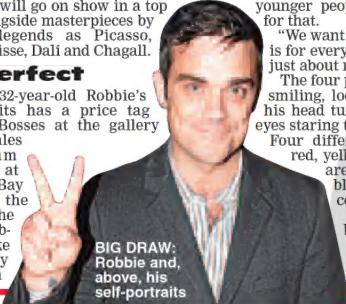
"We want people to see that art is for everyone. It's fun, and not just about names like Picasso."

The four pictures show Robbie smiling, looking upwards, with his head turned to the side and eyes staring to the right.

Four different backgrounds - red, yellow, green and blue - are splashed with blocks of different colours.

The exhibition begins next Monday and will run for a month.

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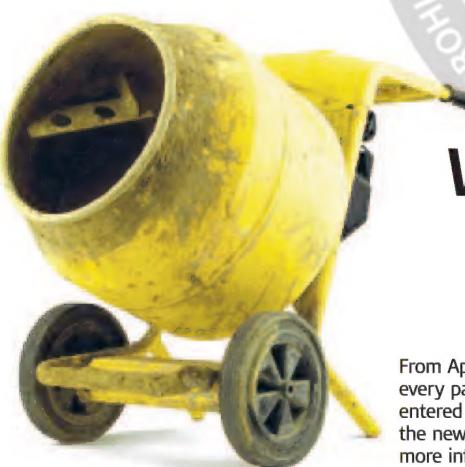
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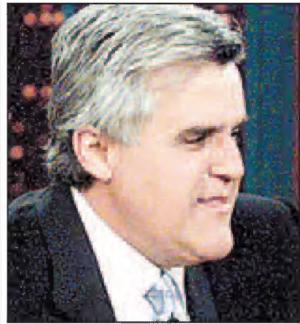
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PRUDENTIAL

■ by LIZZIE CATT

GORGEOUS Kate Winslet has revealed that the latest Jaguar car is based on her sexy curves.

She says a besotted designer at the swanky firm was inspired by her va-va-voom figure.

But Kate, 31, doesn't think he got the upmarket motor quite right – insisting it should have even bigger headlights!

The British star caught her first glimpse of the £60,000 four-seater Jaguar XK8 when she appeared on an American chat show.

"Apparently, the man who designed this Jaguar car decided that I – for whatever reason – was his ideal woman," she said.

"So I guess he was inspired by the shape of my body. It's kind of flattering, but I would have liked to have been involved."

"The headlights aren't big enough. They'll have to go."

She told telly host Jay Leno, 56, she would have added a few extras if she'd been asked to help with the new design.

Yummy

The yummy mummy suggested: "A bar under the dashboard with pink and blue neon lights and umbrellas and pineapples."

"And wings maybe, kind of like Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. And inflatables."

And the film beauty said she was still waiting for the chance to drive around in a free one.

"I absolutely think that I should get a free car," she added.

The Titanic actress has been hitting the talk show circuit to promote her two big Christmas movies – The Holiday, with Cameron Diaz, 34, and Jack Black, 37, and animated film Flushed Away, with Hugh Jackman, 38.

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OOH, NICE BODYWORK: Kate Winslet's sexy shape inspired the designers of the Jaguar XK8, top



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eBay stands up babe

A STUDENT who put a date with herself on eBay has had it withdrawn after the auction website said it was "indecent".

Laura Davis, 23, hoped to raise cash for Children In Need and pay off some of her overdraft.

She offered "a date with a gorgeous brunette" but ruled out sex. The auction had reached £7,100 with hours to go.

Laura, a business management student at Bournemouth University, said: "They e-mailed to say my listing contained adult material, even though it didn't, and they said it was indecent and not suitable. Most of that money was going to charity – they have ruined it for them and myself."

An eBay spokesman said: "We cannot comment on this specific case."



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ARSENAL and England star Theo Walcott, 17, will switch on Christmas lights in his home town of Newbury, Berks, tomorrow.

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